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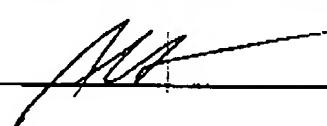
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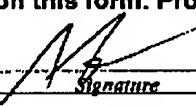
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Application No. 10/800,747	Filing Date March 16, 2004	Examiner BOLDA, Eric L.	Customer No. 07380	Group Art Unit 3663	Confirmation No. 1176	
<b>Invention: OPTICAL SIGNAL AMPLIFIER AND METHOD</b>					<b>RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER</b> <b>JUL 10 2007</b>	
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2007, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.